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SUBJ: OPTIMISM ON SURINAM-GUYANA RELATIONS

1. IN JUNE 13 CONVERSATION WITH CHARGE, FOREIGN AFFAIRS DIRECTOR HEINEMANN DESCRIBED AN OPTIMISTIC PROGNOSIS FOR RELATIONS BETWEEN SURINAM AND GUYANA. HE THOUGHT THAT SOME PROGRESS IS BEING MADE IN THE EFFORT TO SETTLE OUTSTANDING ISSUES BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, THAT AT THE MOMENT ALL IS QUIET AND "THINGS ARE GOING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION." HEINEMANN DID NOT BELIEVE THAT QUESTIONS OF THE SUGAM-26 FISHING TRAWLER AND THE CORANTIJN RIVER FISHING LICENSES ANY LONGER PRESENTED SERIOUS PROBLEMS, RATHER THAT BOTH SIDES ARE READY TO
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MOVE TO ELIMINATE OBSTACLES TO BETTER RELATIONS.

2. IN ADDITION TO SETTLEMENT OF THE FISHING DISPUTES, HEINEMANN PREDICTED THAT BY THE END OF THEIR YEAR BOTH GOVERNMENTS WILL HAVE ASKED THE SPECIAL COMMISSION SET UP BY THE CHAGUARAMAS AGREEMENT OF 1971 TO MEET TO DISCUSS BORDER ISSUES.

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HE FURTHER OBSERVED THAT THERE ARE SOME MEASURES SURINAM ITSELF CAN TAKE SUCH AS THE APPOINTMENT OF A RESIDENT AMBASSADOR IN GEORGETOWN, A STEP HE SAID HE WOULD RECOMMEND ONCE THE INITIAL OBSTACLE (I.E., THE FISHING DISPUTES) IS OUT OF THE WAY. HIS ONLY CAUTIONARY NOTE RELATED TO IMPENDING IMPLEMENTATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS ACCOMPANYING SURINAM'S NEWLY-PROMULGATED 200-MILE ECONOMIC ZONE, WHICH HE THOUGHT MIGHT HAVE SOME IMPACT ON SURINAM-GUYANA RELATIONS.
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